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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 08/751,365, filed November 18, 1996. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

Priority under 35 USC §119 is claimed based on Japanese application no. 7-323677, filed November 17, 1995.

Preliminary Amendment:

Page 1 of the specification, before line 1, insert --[This is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 08/751,365, filed November 18, 1996.—

The prior application is assigned of record to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on April 2, 1997 at Reel/Frame 8443/0774.

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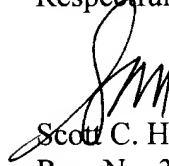
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